

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY  
LOK SABHA**

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GEM TESTING CENTRES  
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**Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:**

- (a) the details of gem testing centres operating in the country, State/UT-wise;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to set up more testing centres in the country;
- (c) if so, the location-wise details thereof; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY ( SHRI E.V.K.S. ELANGO VAN)

(a): As per the available information provided by the Gem & Jewellery Export Promotion Council (GJEPC), Mumbai, a representative autonomous body of the trade sponsored by the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, the details of the gems testing centres in the country, are as follows:-

Maharashtra 1. Gemmological Institute of India  
29, Gurukul Chambers,  
187/189 Mumbadevi Road,  
Mumbai - 400 002.  
2. St. Xaviers College  
Gemmology Division,  
Geology Departmet,  
Maha Nagar Palika Marg,  
Mumbai - 400 001.  
3. International Gemmological Institute,  
Mittal Court,  
Nariman Point,  
Mumbai - 400 021.  
4. Pan Gemtesting Laboratory,  
Pan Gem Enterprises,  
10 Sangeeta, Behind Panchratan,  
Tadiwala Road,  
Pune - 411 011.  
Rajasthan 5. Gem Testing Laboratory,  
Rajasthan Chamber Bhavan,  
Mirza Ismail Road,  
Jaipur - 302 003.  
West Bengal 6. Gem Testing Laboratory, CPL,  
- GSI,  
27, J.N. Road,  
Kolkata - 700 116.  
Tamil Nadu 7. Gem Testing Laboratory,  
66, Cathedral Road,  
Chennai - 600 086.  
8. Shri Ramkrishna Gem Testing Laboratory,  
70, Perannagar Main Road,  
Salem - 636 007.  
9. Trichy Gem Testing Laboratory,  
Epoor Complex,  
86, Diamond Bazar,  
Trichy - 620 002.  
Andhra Pradesh 10. Gem Testing Laboratory,  
4-3-346 Raja Bhagwandas Marg,  
Bank Street,  
Hyderabad - 500 195.  
Kerala 11. Gem Testing Laboratory,  
Kerala Mineral E & D Proje,t,  
(Govt. of Kerala),  
Kesavdasapuram, Pottom Palace,  
P.O. Trivandrum - 695 004.

Delhi 12 Indian Gemmological Institute,  
`F` Block, Jhandewalan Flatted Factories  
Complex,  
Rani Jhansi Road,  
New Delhi - 110 055.  
Gujarat 13 Indian Diamond Institute,  
Katargam GIDC,  
Sumul Dairy Road,  
Surat - 395 008.

(b) & (c) Government do not have any proposal to set up any such gem testing centres in the country. However, setting up of any gem testing laboratory or centre does not require any specific approval from Ministry of Commerce & Industry.

(d) Does not arise.